

**STATE OF MAINE
COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS
AND ELECTION PRACTICES**

In Re:)	
APPEAL BY JOHN MICHAEL)	ORDER ON REQUEST
)	FOR INTERVENTION
)	

This matter is before the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices (“the Commission”), pursuant to 21-A M.R.S.A. § 1125(14)(A) of the Maine Clean Election Act, as a result of an appeal by John Michael of a decision denying him certification as a Clean Election Candidate. By letter dated July 26, 2006, the Maine Citizens for Clean Elections (“MCCE”) has requested the right to intervene in this proceeding as an interested party, as set forth in the Maine Administrative Procedures Act, 5 M.R.S.A. § 9054(2).¹ No other individual or entity has sought the right to intervene in this proceeding.

It is hereby ORDERED that MCCE will be granted the right to intervene in this proceeding as an interested party with limited right to participate in the hearing. MCCE will not be allowed to present evidence or witnesses, nor will it be allowed to cross-examine witnesses who are called to testify at the hearing. MCCE’s participation in the hearing will be limited to the presentation of a statement at the close of the evidentiary portion of the hearing. Presentation of this oral statement is limited to fifteen minutes, and will occur before the parties present their closing arguments. MCCE is also welcome to submit a written statement to the Commission that will become a part of the record.

¹ The provision reads, in pertinent part: “The agency may, by order, allow any other interested person to intervene and participate as a full or limited party to the proceeding.”

DATED: July 27, 2006



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